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PATENT
Docket No. 53868US02

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
JATHAN D. EDWARDS) Examiner:
Serial No.: 09/730,246) Group Art Unit: 2651
Filed: December 5, 2000)
For: REVERSE OPTICAL MASTERING)
FOR DATA STORAGE DISKS)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination, please add the following claims 27 and 28. Claims 27 and 28 correspond respectively to claims 1 and 56 of the parent case 09/055,825, now abandoned.

Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to deposit account number 09-0069.

IN THE CLAIMS

27. (NEW) A method of making a data storage disk master for use in a reverse mastering, data storage disk molding process, the data storage disk master including master lands and master grooves, wherein the data storage disk molding process produces replica disks having a surface relief pattern with replica lands and replica grooves, the surface relief pattern having an orientation which is the inverse of the data storage disk master, the method comprising the steps of:

providing a master substrate;

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